INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Propert	ty/District Name: <u>Elmer</u>	Fritz Farm	Survey Number: CARR398/18CR207
Project	: MD140 Westminster By	pass	Agency: SHA
Site vi	isit by MHT Staff: no	<u>X</u> yes Name <u>Anne</u>	Bruder, Beth Cole Date 8/30/97
Eligibi	ility recommended	Eligibility not red	commended X
Criteri None	ia:AB <u>X</u> C <u>X</u>	D Considerations:	_ABCDEFG
Justifi	ication for decision: (U	se continuation sheet i	f necessary and attach map)
1 6 5 6 1	No above ground extensively disturbed by contact and archeological componiational Register of History	structures survive a demolition and earth mo- the Fritz Farm property ents, is no longer el oric Places, due to loss nescores.	s owner at some point c. 1996- and the site area has been wing activites. We agree with α , including its architectural eigible for inclusion in the s of integrity $\alpha \beta \beta + \epsilon + \epsilon \beta$: MHT Inventory Records and SHA
correpo	ondence dated 31 July 199	<u>7</u>	
_	ed by: Rita Suffness, SHA	$A \cap A \cap A$	8/3./97
	Reviewer, Office of Prese		Date
NR prog	gram concurrence: X yes		icable 9/2/97
	Reviewer, NR program	m	Date

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MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA - HISTORIC CONTEXT

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		Prince George's and St. Mary's)		
Y		Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll,		
		rederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery)		
		Allegany, Garrett and Washington)		
ı.	Chronological/Developmental Periods:			
	Paleo-Indian	10000-7500 B.C.		
	Early Archaic	7500-6000 B.C.		
	Middle Archaic	6000-4000 B.C.		
	Late Archaic	4000-2000 B.C.		
	Early Woodland	2000-500 B.C.		
	Middle Woodland	500 B.C A.D. 900		
	Late Woodland/Archaic	A.D. 900-1600		
	Contact and Settlement	A.D. 1570-1750		
	Rural Agrarian Intensification			
	Agricultural-Industrial Transiti			
		A.D. 1870-1930		
	Industrial/Urban Dominance	A.D. 1930-Present		
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		and Community Planning		
	Political	Economic (Commercial and Industrial)		
	Demographic	Government/Law		
		Military		
		Religion		
		Social/Educational/Cultural		
	•	Transportation		
. R	esource Type:			
	Category: <u>building</u> , site			
	Historic Environment rural			
	Historic Function(s) and Use(s):	: farm complex		
	Known Design Source: none			

INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY/DISTRICT MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST INTERNAL NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property/District Name: C. Elmer Fritz Farm Compley Survey Number	er: CARR- 398
Project: Westminster Bypass (MD 140) Agency: SHA	
Site visit by MHT Staff: X noyes Name Date	
Eligibility recommended X Eligibility not recommended	
Criteria:ABX CD Considerations:ABCDE	FGNone
Justification for decision: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach	map)
This property was determined eligible for the NR by MHT letter dated $4/27/199$	94.
Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Review and Compliance F:	iles
Prepared by: Rita Suffness, Cultural Resources Group Leader, SHA, June 1993	
Beth Hannold	
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services Date	
NR program concurrence: X yes no not applicable	
Reviewer, NR program Date	

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I.	Geographic Region:			
	Eastern Shore Western Shore	<pre>(all Eastern Shore counties, and Cecil) (Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Prince George's and St. Mary's) (Baltimore City, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford, Howard, Montgomery) (Allegany, Garrett and Washington)</pre>		
X	Piedmont			
	Western Maryland			
II.	Chronological/Developmental Pe	eriods:		
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III.	Prehistoric Period Themes:	IV. Historic Period Themes:		
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	Category: <u>Buildings</u>			
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	Known Design Source:			

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900 LITTLESTOWN PIKE

mid-19th century

Westminster vicinity

private

900 Littlestown Pike is a mid-nineteenth century farmhouse that has some elaborate ornamentation from a Victorian period remodeling. The original house is a representative regional farmhouse with an L-shaped plan. The ornamentation included a three-sided tower with peaked roof, a large gabled dormer, and a one-story porch that was the full length of the main (east) and north facades. The farm complex also includes some significant features such as the Victorian style cupolas on the bank barn and the tile silo.

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE __yes __no

1. Nam	e (indicate pro	eferred name)		
historic				
and/or common	C. ELMER FRITZ	Z FARM COMPLEX		
2. Loca	ation			
street & number	900 Littlestor	vn Pike (MD 97)		not for publication
city, town	Westminster	XX vicinity of	congressional district	Sixth
state	Maryland	county	Carroll	
3. Clas	sification			
Category district XX building(s) structure site object	Ownership public _XX private both Public Acquisition in process being considered _X not applicable	Status XX occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible yes: restricted yes: unrestricted XX no	Present Use XX agriculture commercial educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Own	er of Prope	'ty (give names a	nd mailing addresse	s of <u>all</u> owners)
name	C. Elmer Fritz	3		
street & number	1901 Old Washi	ington Road	telephone n	o.: 848-9 3 74
city, town	Westminster	state	and zip code Mar	ryland 21157
5. Loca	tion of Lega	al Description	on	
courthouse, regis	stry of deeds, etc. Carı	coll County Cour	thouse Annex	liber 371
street & number	55 N	. Court Street		folio 323
city, town	West	minster	state	Maryland
6. Repr	esentation	in Existing	Historical Surv	eys
title	Westminster P]	anning District	Survey	
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depository for su	rvey records Carroll	Co. Dept. of P	lanning & Md. Hi	st. Trust
city, town			state	

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

SUMMARY: The C. Elmer Fritz Farmstead is a late 19th century farmhouse and farm complex that retains many of its outbuildings. The farmhouse contains a log ell that may be the original farmhouse to the complex. This log section was converted to an ell when the main block, with its Victorian style ornamentation, was constructed about the turn-of-the-The fanciful Victorian trim includes patterned shingles in the gables, a gabled dormer with shingles on the main facade, and a five-sided bay window with an octagonal roof and an elaborate decorative metal ornament at the peak. The domestic buildings on the south side of the house consist of a frame washhouse and an ornamental concrete block smokehouse. The remains of a stone springhouse stand east of the farmhouse. The farm complex on the west side of the farmhouse includes a frame bank barn, tile silo, frame stable, wagon shed, chicken house, and hog pen.

DESCRIPTION: The C. Elmer Fritz Farmstead (900 Littlestown Pike) is located on the west side of Littlestown Pike. The farm complex is located at the end of a .4 mile dirt lane that intersects Littlestown Pike approximately .2 mile south of Old Bachman's Valley Road. The site is gently sloping topography and a springhead that feeds a stream leading into Meadow Branch is located slightly east of the farmhouse.

The farmhouse was apparently built in two sections with the current ell being the original house. This is a two story, three bay by one bay structure with a stone foundation constructed of log covered in weatherboard. The south elevation has a double-tiered porch that has been partially enclosed. The west gable end has been covered in shingles and has two-over-two sash window on the first and second stories and a smaller three-over-three sash window in the gable. The north facade is three bays wide with a one-story, full-length porch that continues along the later addition. This facade has an entrance in the northernmost bay of the first story and two-over-two sash windows in the other bays of the first and second stories. The structure has a gable roof covered with standing seam sheet metal and a centrally located brick chimney.

The main block of the house is a two and one-half story, three bay by two bay structure with a stone foundation. It was built of frame construction and is currently covered in aluminum siding. This section has a gable roof covered in standing seam sheet metal. An ornamental brick chimney rises

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

and/or

Applicable Exception: A B C

Level of Significance: national

SUMMARY: The history of the C. Elmer Fritz Farm is difficult to determine because data in the land records and secondary sources do not provide a clear picture of the development of this complex. The property was owned prior to 1838 by John Formwalt, a tavern-owner who may have had a tavern on this or an adjoining property. From 1838 to 1883 the property was owned by the Byers family. Later owners were George C. Crass, Edgar G. Hull, Frank H. Garner, G. Walter Fritz, and C. Elmer Fritz. An increase in value of \$2600 between 1906 and 1911 indicates that some of the Victorian style improvements may have occurred during that period when it was owned by Frank H. Garner.

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state local

HISTORY: The history of the C. Elmer Fritz Farm is difficult to determine because data in the land records and secondary sources do not provide a clear picture of the development of this complex. The property was owned prior to 1838 by John Formwalt, who is listed in the 1837 Carroll County tax assessment as a tavern-owner. It is unlikely that the current structure was a tavern, but there was a log structure on Littlestown Pike (CARR-675; that was torn down in 1977) adjoining the Fritz Farm that could have been the Formwalt tavern.

On April 3, 1838, John Formwalt sold the Fritz Farm to Michael Byers (Carroll County Land Records Liber W. W. 2, Folio 147). It was a 100 acre parcel of "The Resurvey on Young's Purchase" and the purchase price of \$4000 recorded in the deeds indicates the probability that there were improvements on the property at that time. The 1862 Martenet's Map of Carroll County shows a farmhouse of Michael Byers at this location, and it is shown as the David H. Byers residence in the 1877 Illustrated Atlas of Carroll County. The property remained in the Byers family until 1883.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CARR-398

Land Records and Tax Assessments of Carroll County, Md.

Martenet's Map of Carroll County, Maryland, 1862

Lake Griffin & Stevenson. Illustrated Atlas of Carroll County, Md.

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10. Geograp	hical Data		
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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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from the south gable end, but the chimney in the north gable end has been rebuilt.

The asymmetrical main facade faces east and has a centrally located entrance with a one-over-one sash window above it on the second story. The northernmost bays have a five-sided bay window (the three outermost bays have one-over-one sash windows) with an octagonal roof and an elaborate decorative metal ornament at the peak. The southernmost bays of the main facade have a one-over-one sash window on the first story and a double window on the second story. On the roof above the double window is a gabled dormer with a double window, alternating butt-end shingles in the gable and a pattern of pointed-end shingles on the sides.

There is a full-length, one story porch on the main facade with square posts, small brackets with quatrefoils, and the remains of a stick-style railing. The porch wraps around the northeast corner of the main block and continues along the full length of the north elevation.

The north and south gable ends have one-over-one sash windows in each of the bays on the first and second stories. A highlight of the Victorian style ornamentation are the gables which contain patterned wood shingles around the two tall and narrow one-over-one sash windows. Above the windows, a projecting gable on serpentine brackets has alternating buttend shingles. The gable area around the windows is ornamented with alternating patterns of straight-end and pointed-end shingles.

The domestic buildings on the south side of the house consist of a frame washhouse and an ornamental concrete block smokehouse. The one-story, two bay by one bay washhouse is rectangular in plan and has a projecting roof to cover the porch on the east (main) facade. The east elevation has a door and a six-over-six sash window. The gable roof and projection are covered in standing seam sheet metal. The washhouse is covered in an imitation brick asphalt siding. The south elevation has an exterior end brick chimney with a four-pane window in the gable. The north elevation has a six-over-six window on the first story and a double four-pane window in the gable. The ornamental concrete block smokehouse has a square plan on a concrete foundation. Its pyramid-shaped roof is covered in sheet metal. It has one batten door on its south elevation.

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The remains of a stone springhouse stand east of the farmhouse at the springhead for a stream that runs into Meadow Branch. The roof and wood framing of the springhouse is entirely gone, so that all that remains of the rectangular-plan structure is the exterior stone walls. The west elevation contained the batten door and a square louvered window. The east elevation contained one wquare window. The north and south gable ends were unfenestrated.

The agricultural buildings stand in a complex to the north of the main house. There is a frame bank barn which has been extensively added to during the 20th century with an extension and enclosure of the projecting forebay and additions on each gable end of the barn. The barn has a gable roof with three square gabled cupolas. On the bank side of the barn is a tile silo.

To the southeast of the bank barn is a small stable of frame and vertical board construction. The stable has a rectangular plan, gable roof, and small shed roofed addition on the east elevation which served as a hog pen. West of the barn was a large wagon shed of frame construction. The gable roof of the wagon shed projects out on the east and west elevations to extend the structure for extra machinery bays. North of the wagon shed is a hog pen and chicken coop. Also, southwest of the wagon shed is a long chicken house of frame construction.

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The Land Records also show that the property increased in value \$2600 between 1906 and 1911 indicating that some of the Victorian style improvements may have occurred during that period when it was owned by Frank H. Garner.

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CARR-398 C. Elmer Frit	z Farm Complex:	Chain-of-Title	-
371/323 3/31	/1964 Mary E. F C. Elmer	Pritz, Widow, to Fritz	100 a
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(Equity Court Case No. 1991 describes the property as the residence of David H. Byers; the Carroll County Land and Probate Records do not indicate transfer of the property from Michael to David Byers; WW 2/147 does not give the prior deed reference for this tract in the Frederick County Land Records)

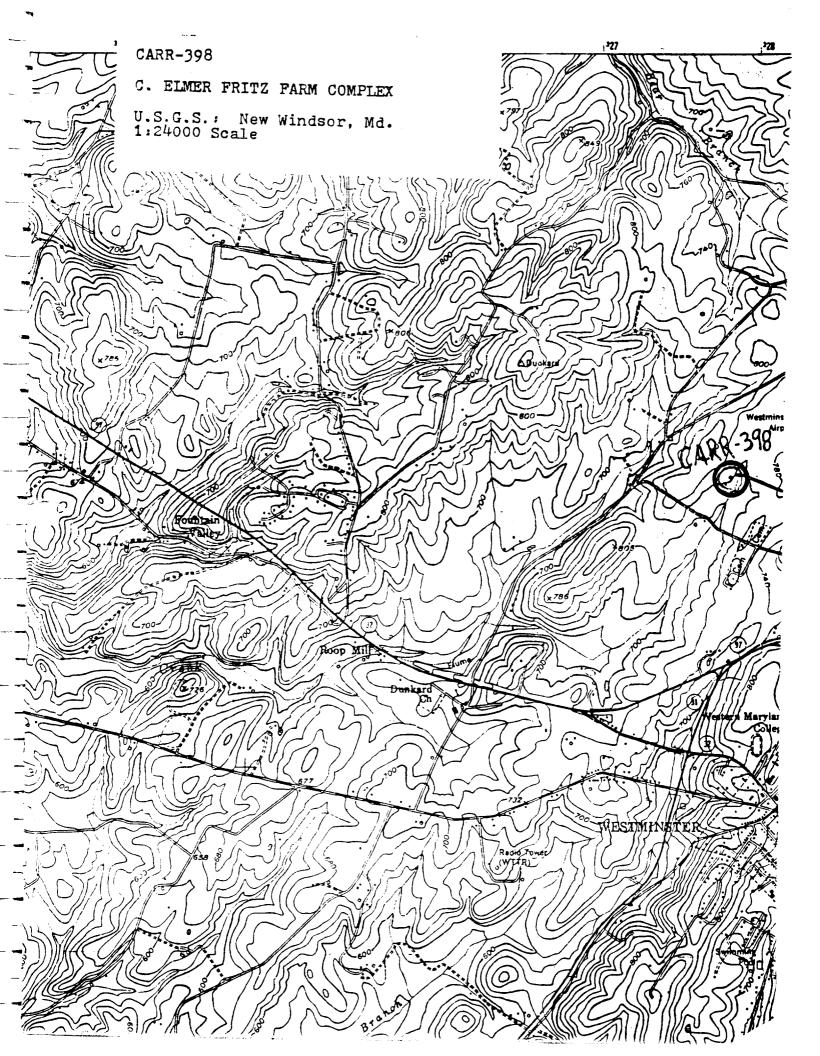


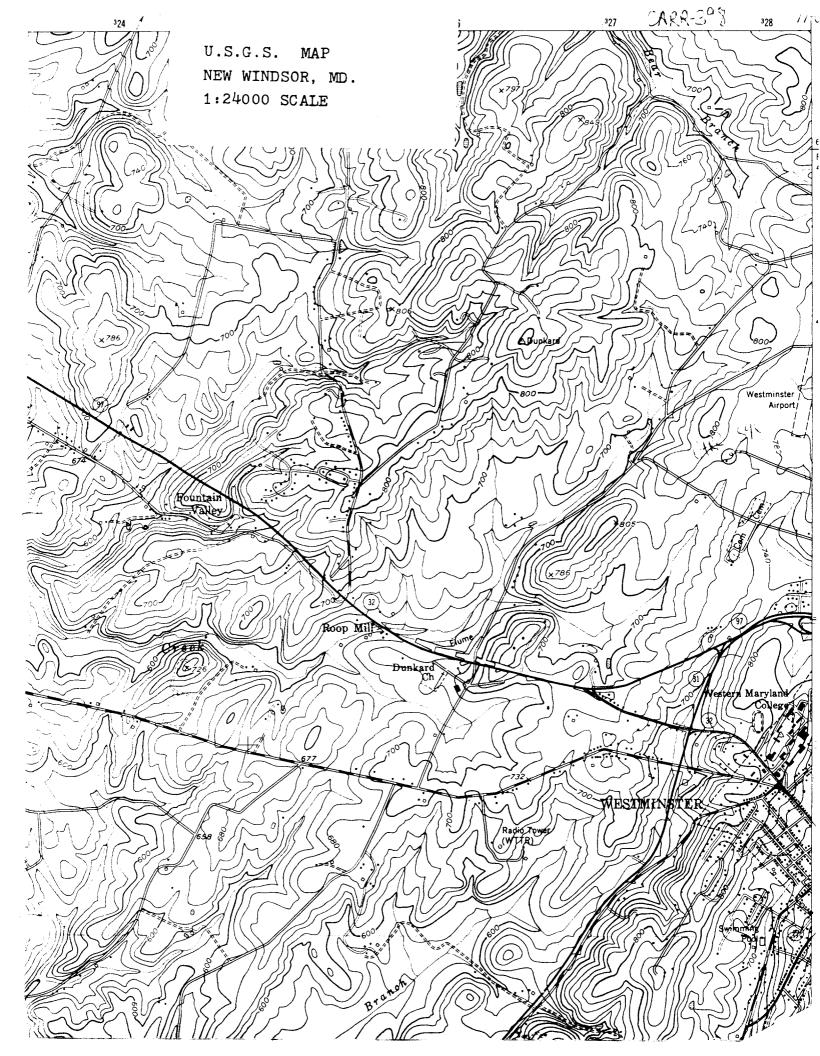
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Westminster, Maryland 21157	UTM REFERENCES:	
MAYLAND	Zone/Easting/Northing	
WESTMINSTER PLANNING DISTRICT		
FIELD SHEETHISTORIC RESOURCES SURVEY	U.S.G.S. QUAD. MAP: Naw Windsor	
	PRESENT FORMAL NAME:	
COUNTY: (ARROLL	ORIGINAL FORMAL NAME:	
TOWN: Westmoster vicinity LOCATION:		
LOCATION: 900 Littlestown Pike	PRESENT USE: farm	
	ORIGINAL USE: FAIR	
TAX MAP 38 Block 18 P-28	ARCHITECT/ENGINEER:	
COMMON NAME:	BUILDER/CONTRACTOR:	
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- 2. Carroll County, Md.
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- E & S elev. (camera fac NW) 1/13



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- 5. Md. Hist. Trust, Annapolis, Md.
- 6. N & W elev. (camera fac SE)
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- 2. Carroll County, Maryland
- 3. Joe Getty
- 4. November 1983
- 5. Md. Historical Trust, Annapolis, Md.
- 6. Camera facing east
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